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I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic, a sovereign Nation, of many sovereign States; a perfect Union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag; and to defend it against all enemies.

PATRIOTISM VERSUS POLITICS.

NO doubt it would be a source of intense satisfaction to the Democrats of Marion county and to the Democratic party generally if old fires could be warmed to blaze, and dissension and distrust breed bitterness in the Republican camp. "Old Time Stuff" was a well chosen title for the editorial of yesterday morning in the Democratic organ. The attitude which inspired it is all wrong.

One of the paramount necessities of the coming months of uncertainty and anxiety is that of keeping sweet, and this applies to all voters. The election issues of this fall are of such grave importance, and their rejection or adoption will have such far reaching results, in nation, state and county, that it behooves both parties to push to the rear old scraps and fuses, old antagonisms and sore spots, and work together in clean cut fashion for the best results possible.

If ever the country needed clear thinking voters with unbiased judgment during its whole existence, it needs them now, and right up till the last ballot falls the supreme object of every individual should be to keep main issues in sight and personal spite and party bitterness shelved.

It would be a tragic mistake considering West Virginia's needs and the wonderful industrial and improvement program she is launching to have the state split into two hostile factions having no other consideration than party achievement. Let us get through with this campaign with as little friction and heat as possible. The country needs patriotism more than it needs politics.

There are, of course, a few old timers left who cling to the muddling methods of other days—a few who are so blindly partisan that they would rather fight than work. The oncoming election will witness the greatest crisis in the nation's history—only the years can write the outcome. Influences are at work throughout striving viciously to drive things through that endanger our constitutional foundation.

For the time at least let us cooperate in the adjustment of the big questions which must be settled and which may only be adequately dealt with by the cooperation of all.

DESERVE AN INCREASE.

WHAT is going to be the result if the able, trained men and women who are now serving as teachers are forced out of their chosen field in order to make a living in some other fashion?

What will become of the youth of the land if their active, alive young minds are going to be stunted in the making by being compelled to quaff from an insufficient cup?

The devotion of the poorly recompensed teachers can only be compared to that of the self immolation of a consecrated missionary. Both are inspired with a zeal which personal gain cannot shake; both have heard the call of a duty which may not go unheeded. The remarkable exam-

ple drawn by the way professors and teachers have faced poverty and humiliating conditions in order to cling to their educational work has hardly a parallel outside of the ministry.

Fairmont's corps of teachers are of the finest. They have held on to the utmost limit in their endeavor to do their duty by their responsibilities. They have conserved their meagre salaries in such a fashion that extravagance is the last accusation which could be cast at them.

It was a distinct shock when Mrs. Walter Barnes, the retiring president of the Woman's club, told her audience of over two hundred women last Monday that she knew of two local teachers who were doing without breakfast in order to make their salaries meet the demands upon it. This is not right nor fair.

Young teachers have skimped and saved during the winter months to enable themselves to take short terms at Columbia or elsewhere during the summer weeks when rest and relaxation should have been theirs. Voluntary work, cheerfully done in order that they might give to their young pupils the latest and best that training schools could offer, and keep themselves fit and able to respond to the ever increasing demands upon them.

Who would venture to set a price upon the inestimable accomplishments of two such teachers as Mrs. N. R. C. Morrow and Miss Eva Brand, who have taught in the schools of Fairmont for the past twenty-five years? What adequate return could the city ever hope to make for the influence and instructive work of these two devoted women? Let us do our best to aid in every way such teachers to secure a living wage as a partial recompense for their services.

Teachers are not asking profiteering salaries—they are not making ridiculous demands as to hours and overtime—the increase they are pleading for is a modest and reasonable one. We must do our utmost to see that it is secured, for no greater calamity can befall this country than forcing our teachers out of their chosen field, and turning our children over to poorly trained, indifferent instructors.

MAKE THEM WELCOME.

THE streets are filled with strangers these days. Old residents complain because they walk for blocks without seeing a familiar face. The time is past when residents hailed each other by their first names, and greetings were generally in the nature of genial banter rather than the formal "Good day."

It is all in the process of the growth of the city. From now on more and more strangers will be coming to live with us, and it is our bounden duty to make them feel welcome and at home.

It is to be urged that the old families and the residents of the town who have lived here their lifetimes treat these newcomers cordially. Do not draw the circle tightly and exclude the numbers of fine, splendid people who are rapidly filling our houses and crowding our business places.

They are here to help the city grow—no doubt they are homesick for the cities and towns which they have left to come here. Let us open wide our homes, our churches, our clubs to them—give them a warm handshake and a smile; be prompt about calls and quick with courtesy. Make them like Fairmont and Fairmonters.

In return they will broaden our views and our interests; they will keep us from becoming provincial. We will find that they are going to give us warm support in the things that count in civic improvement and social betterment. We can do much for them in offering cheer and contentment, but they will repay in measure pressed down and running over. Be cordial and meet the new people a little bit more than half way.

However the Sunday ball discussion winds up, let us have ball games this summer and plenty of them. If the Sunday games are barred, then employers must loosen up a little to their employees. Nothing like a red hot game of ball to chase away that tired feeling both for player and fan.

Flag poles and roofing throughout the city ought to be examined thoroughly after the high gales of the last few days. The flag pole on the W. C. T. U. building threatened lives on Wednesday evening. Cornices on roofs may be dangerously loose. Pedestrians have suffered but little from the winds except in the way of hat cleaning and refractory petticoats, but a little care right now in inspection of signs and roofs might save a serious if not fatal injury to some one.

If the French succeed in entering Frankfort with no more bloodshed than has been already recorded it will be remarkable. The long enmity between French and Germans makes even the civilians resentful and bitter. American troops could be quartered from one end of the country to the other with but scant demonstration, but the entrance of the victorious French is quite another matter.

Rotarians will receive a warm welcome when the district convention comes to Fairmont next year. Local Rotary members have had endless experiences in handling other kinds of conventions, and nothing will be left undone to make this one a howling success. No Rotary club in the district can excel Fairmont in talent and good fellowship. It will be a great time for the visitors.

standing to them of things that nobody can fully understand.

With the children which knew him everywhere he went, as with the million grownups, he was ever "Uncle John," a man of such admirable simple characteristics as to be beloved by the young ones, and of such deep depths of sympathy for all that was great and good, that he was endeared alike to the professional and the non-professional. This love of him was finer and more boundless than that which can be comprehended in the word famous. He well deserved his selection by the Governor of Pennsylvania, when the latter was requested to name the grandest man of the commonwealth.

He was a lover of all that was good and beautiful and true, and none ever had a more wholesome detestation of pretence and sham and hypocrisy.

TODAY IN STATE HISTORY

The present Good Roads movement is not the first in which Marion County participated enthusiastically. Way back in 1849 there was such a movement following agitation by leading citizens. Three turnpikes—one to Weston, one to Fishing Creek and one to Beverly—were arranged. Parts of the old Beverly pike may still be traced along the West Fork River.

Kangaroo farming is an important industry in Australia. The tendons are the best material known to surgeons for sewing up wounds.

EAST SIDE NEWS

Aid Society Meeting.
Mrs. J. C. Letkus Division of the Ladies Aid Society of the Diamond street church will meet this evening at the home of Mrs. Charles Michaels in Broadway street. Each member is expected to be present.

King's Heralds.
The King's Heralds Missionary society of the Diamond street church will meet next Monday evening after school at the church. An interesting program is being prepared for the meeting.

Exchange.
An exchange will be held Saturday in E. C. Rowlands store in Main street by the members of the Bethany Bible class of the Central Christian church.

Personal.
George Blackwood of Maryland avenue is recovering from a week's illness.

Mrs. Charles White is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Debolt at Hurdred.

Mrs. Colighin and family are moving from Maryland avenue to the property in Vermont avenue recently vacated by E. A. Connell and family.

Miss Ora Kennedy of Mannington spent Thursday with friends here. Contractor C. E. Miner is still confined to his home by illness.

Miss Virginia Rowe who was operated on at Cooks hospital and has been very ill is recovering rapidly and hopes to soon be out again.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Nuzum of Vermont avenue are ill with measles and tonsillitis. Miss Effie Louise Waters who was nursing them is ill at her home in Market street.

Mrs. John Brown and daughter Martha Jane of Clarksburg are visiting Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Lloyd in Merchant street. Dr. E. M. Cox is recovering from a week's illness at his home in Merchant street.

Eliza G. Wilson has purchased a lot from Charles L. Holt and will build a residence there this coming summer. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson have resided in State street the past year.

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The prospective fruit bloom is the best seen in this section for several years hence there has been much eagerness felt over the present spell of winter weather following the premature spring weather of late March. Some fruit trees were almost in bloom and all buds were greatly swelled and bursting with green of leaves showing. Tuesday morning the frozen ground would bear a horse and thermometer, 6 or 8 degrees below the freezing point. There was one thing in favor of the fruit, the heavy breeze blowing kept the buds perfectly dry. Therefore, seemingly, not much damage was done. The buds of apple and Keffier pears are uninjured here. Some varieties of plums are pretty badly injured. The sweet cherries are all killed, but seldom bear here at any time. The

peach buds are from a fourth to a half killed but as peach trees usually have an enormous surplus of bloom this will amount to nothing unless the remaining fruits are so weakened as to drop later.

Personals.

Mrs. Sallie Prickett, of Viola, was

visiting her mother, Mrs. Sallie Yoder here Wednesday.
Miss Edith Tennant, of Little Falls, is visiting Miss Grace Morris here.
J. E. McElfresh made trip to Little Falls Wednesday.
Miss Jennie Agilmore, of Little Falls, came here yesterday to stay with aunt, Mrs. T. T. McElfresh, whose health is not very good.

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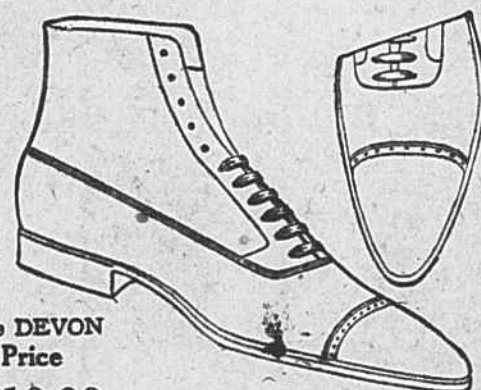
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RUFF STUFF

Politician with their ears to the ground had better put on ear muffs.

Get an earful of snow.

Would be grand if they were as adept at locating political plums as a wise old robin is in locating worms.

Saw a bird yesterday land a worm at every listen.

And he didn't have to listen from May to November either.

Where is that poet guy that pipes about April's gentle breeze?

Spoke he'd term a cyclone a zephyr.

Ask Deberry and Gettings what they thought of that little zephyr flitting around the W. C. T. U. roof garden.

Wonder if a feller sees stars when flag-pole hits him, whether it has a flag on it or not?

Sain Fohn pickets are steering respectfully clear of the White House it seems.

Lotsa guys are shy of monkeying with a buzz saw.

Why is it that floor paint climbs up to 34 a gallon, while face paint remains stationary at 50c per box.

Something queer about that.

Editorial Comment on Current Subjects

Pittsburgh Dispatch.
More Than Famous.

Wherever the stars are known by us of earth there Dr. John A. Brush-ear has been known for longer than the span of life that is vouchsafed to any but a few humans. If he were not an astronomer in the technical and professional sense, he contributed beyond computation towards astral research by his manufacture of lenses and their equipments, which have long had the highest world-wide repute. His astronomical instruments have equipped observatories in every hemisphere, Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western. No other producer of these magical glasses through which the distant universe has been penetrated to inconceivable millions of miles has given so much of earthly aid to solution of mysteries of the Heavens.

His life is well known even to the children of all the earth, how he began as a workman in the mills and though always apparently having his eyes on the hard facts of mechanical industry, always, also, had them far away in the unfathomable depths whose analysis alone can solve the problem of what is called creation. Yet with all this profound communication with the greatest investigators of earth, he was endeared to children as one who could make them in some sense comprehend the immensities, the glories, the wonders of the most wonderful, and bring some under-